Appointment

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Subject: GA Narrative Pre-briefing call-in #: **Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)**
Location: Conference Room 15C

Start: 9/11/2018 7:45:00 PM
End: 9/11/2018 8:15:00 PM
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Required Attendees: Palmer, Leif; Ghosh, Mita; Wetherington, Michele; Gordon, Lisa Perras; Allenbach, Becky
Optional Attendees: Rubini, Suzanne; Able, Tony; Cooper, Jamal

Call-in number has been added.

POC: Jamal Cooper ext. 2-9314

Purpose of Meeting:
Pre-briefing and meet with Leif Palmer and discuss before briefing the RA on options to respond to a WQS Revision submitted by GA EPD, received on August 14, 2018.

Background:
GAEPD submitted two revisions to their water quality standards (WQS) "free from" narrative criteria. We recommend a partial approval/disapproval. EPA would approve revision #1, changing the words, "legitimate uses" to "designated use of the water body" and due to lack of justification, disapprove revision #2, adding the word, "unreasonably". GAEPD states that the revisions are a clarification only and do not change the stringency of the narrative. EPA staff found the change was substantive, and would be weaker than the national recommended criteria. GAEPD received over 600 public comments, approximately 568 did not support the revisions. SELC (representing Altamaha Riverkeeper) notified EPA of WQS revision (December 6, 2017). GAEPD did not work with EPA ahead of time on this WQS revision. SELC met with the EPA WPD Director on February 27, 2018 to discuss the proposed revision. GAEPD was invited but did not attend.

Expectations from Meeting:
Guidelines for moving forward before briefing the RA